(iv) Involvement of NGOs for road safety activities by Department of Road Transport and Highways and NHAI.

(v) Setting up of Model Driving Training School in the country by Department of Road Transport and Highways.

(vi) Publicity campaign on road safety awareness through audio-visual-print media by Department of Road Transport and Highways.

(vii) Institution of National Award for voluntary organizations/individual for outstanding work in the field of road safety by Department of Road Transport and Highways.

(viii) Tightening of safety standards of vehicles.

(ix) Provision of cranes and ambulances to various State Governments/NGOs under National Highway Accident Relief Service Scheme. National Highways Authority of India also provides ambulances at a distance of 50 Km. on each of its completed highways under its Operation & Maintenance contracts.

(x) Widening and improvements of National Highways from 2 lanes to 4 lanes and 4 lanes to 6 lanes etc.

(d) There is no proposal under consideration by this Ministry banning slow-moving traffic from accessing highways and expressways.

Completion of Golden Quadrilateral project

2302. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that only 230 Kilometres of road is left for completion of Golden Quadrilateral (GQ) project in the country;

(b) if so, whether there are any projects pending for completion under GQ in Andhra Pradesh;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the efforts his Ministry is taking to complete die pending projects under GQ in Andhra Pradesh before the deadline of June 2008?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) 196 km of road is left for completion in Golden Quadrilateral Project.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.